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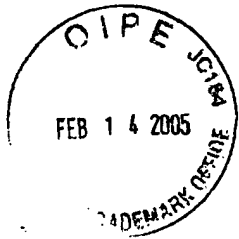
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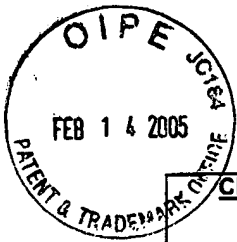
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The Hartz Mountain Corporation, the Assignee of the entire interest in and to the subject application from Rapid Brands Corporation (see attached Assignment), who in turn was previously assigned all interest in the application from applicant William D. McKay (recorded at Reel No. 014388, Frame No. 0039), hereby revokes all prior Powers and authorizations and appoints all practitioners associated with Customer No. 22440 as its attorneys/agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute the subject application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.36 and transact all business with the Patent and Trademark Office in connection therewith. Please address all further correspondence to Jeffrey M. Kaden, Esq. at Gottlieb, Rackman & Reisman, P.C., 270 Madison Avenue, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10016, phone number 212-684-3900 (The address and telephone number of the customer identified above).



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Patent Assignment

1. Rapid Brands Corporation (hereinafter "Company"), a corporation of the State of Michigan, located and doing business at 528 Kelso Street, Flint, Michigan 48506, for good and valuable consideration and for the consideration as stated in the Asset Purchase Agreement of even date herewith by and among the Company, the Assignee, and other good and sufficient considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, by these presents have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents sell, assign, transfer and set over unto The Hartz Mountain Corporation, a corporation of the State of New Jersey, located and doing business at 400 Plaza Drive, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094 as assignee, and its successors, assigns and legal representatives (the "Assignee"), effective at least as early as January 11, 2005, its entire right, title and interest, for all countries (a) in the patents and the inventions described and claimed in the patents listed on the annexed Exhibit A and all reissues and extensions thereof; and (b) in and to the inventions described in the applications for Letters Patent of the United States listed on the annexed Exhibit B and all the rights and privileges under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted therefor and thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof; and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, together with the right to file such applications; and all forms of industrial property protection, including, without limitation, patents, utility models, inventors' certificates and designs which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof.

2. The Company hereby authorizes and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to the Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, or to such nominees as it may designate.

3. The Company agrees that, when requested, the appropriate officer will, without charge to the Assignee but at Company's own expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining patents for the inventions in any and all countries and for vesting title thereto in the Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees.

4. Company authorizes and empowers the Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees, to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of

protection for the inventions filed by it or them, the benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable, and to invoke and claim such right of priority without further written or oral authorization from me.

5. The Company hereby consents that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any assignment, consent to file or like document which may be required in any country for any purpose and more particularly in proof of the right of the assignee or nominee to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it.

6. The Company covenants with the Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees that the rights and property herein conveyed are free and clear of any encumbrance, and that Company has full right to convey the same as herein expressed.

This Assignment has been executed by the undersigned on the date opposite the authorized officer's name.

Date: January 11, 2005

RAPID BRANDS CORPORATION

By: William D. Wickert  
Name: WILLIAM D. WICKERT  
Title: PRESIDENT

STATE OF Michigan )  
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This 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2005 before me personally appeared William D. Wickert, by me personally known, who acknowledged the foregoing instrument by him or her subscribed to be his or her free act and deed.

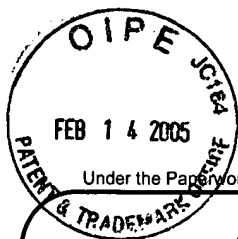
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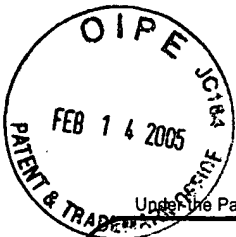
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